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DARKY CONGRESSMAN TO PROTEST AGAINST SOUTH CAROLINA'S VOTE.

THE INAUGURATION.

If Southern Votes Are Called in question. Those of Northern states-Ohio, for Example, Will Also Have to Be Investigated.

WASHINGTON, February 6 .- The publicatton of the fact that G. W. Murray, the colored representative from the First District of South Carolina, intended to pro test against the counting of the electors; vote of that State at the joint meeting o Congress on Wednesday next, engaged the rested attention of Murray's col leagues, all Democrats, to-day, and seveinformal conferences were held, at which Senator Tillman was present. Atone of these, Mr. Tillman said: "If McKinley is going to be inaugurated in the 4th of March, the joint convention has got to count the vote of South Caroke an attack on the Constitution of State, it must make it on some other

I wish to go further," he said, "and express my preference for seeing Mr. Mc ial function exercised by Mr. Olney will be after the 4th of March, if the t is made to deny South Carolina the

grounds or in some other manner than

endeavoring to prevent the counting of

liong time past." est upon a memorial numerously ed by colored residents of South Caro reciting that the Constitution of the dments to the Constitution of the States and the law of 1867, dding for the admission of South Care lina into the Union, and that it was in to the voters of the State for their ap

OBJECTIONS TRAVERSED.

Representative J. L. McLaurin, of South Carolina, who has held the office of At-torney-General of the State, traversed these objections this afternoon to a reporter of the Southern Associated Press He said: "The Constitution of South Caro ina is a valid Constitution, although i was not submitted to the people for ratif cation. It has never been the custom if the State of South Carolina to submit it Constitution to the people for ratification The only instance in which this rule was varied from was in 1868. In many of the et been so submitted. The act of th Legislature of South Carolina, calling the quire the ratification of its work by th people. Besides, this Constitution was a once, and ever since has been, recognize by all the departments of the State Gov

piscussing the objection, that it vio-lated the act of 1877, readmitting the State into the Union, by depriving cer-tain citizens of the right of suffrage. r. McLaurin called attention to the Court had decided in more than one cas that the States which were parties t and stand to-day in their original attisinished right of autonomy, and with cknowledged republican forms of gov-rnment; and, therefore, that the law re-

THE RIGHT TO VOTE. "So, too." said Mr. McLaurin, objection fall that the Constitution stitution. The right to vote is not one of the privileges or immunities of citiens of the United States within the aning of the fourteenth amendme the inteenth amendment does not contre fifteenth amendment does not contre the right of suffrage—the State alone
can confer that right. It simply invests
the citizens with the right of exemption
from discrimination as to the elective
franchise, and that protection is limit-

The provisions of the Constitution of South Carolina clearly make no such discrimination; but, on the contrary, by their plain meaning, apply to all cfizens silke. The specific qualifications for suffrage-first, as to the qualification of registration, and, second, as to the required registration itself—are valid, and nowise forbidden. Besides the State South Carolina, four other States have stitutional requirements of an educa-Connecticut, Massachusetts

NO INAUGURATION MARCH 4TH. McLaurin said that the member his State desired to have it under e led into making any contest over were that Mr. McKinley would not be inaugurated President of the United States on the 4th of March.

if Congress is going into the merits the vote of South Carolina," he conaned, "steps will be taken to see that g the validity of which much doubt has been expressed-notably, the vote of Obio-are investigated before those elecoral votes are counted. We have fair lections in South Carolina.' The probabilities seem to be, upon inquiry, this afternoon, that the advertised

TELLERS FOR WEDNESDAY. WASHINGTON, D. C., February 6.— Senators Blackburn (Democrat), of Ken-tucky, and Lodge (Republican), of Mas-sachusetts, have been appointed by the Vice-President as tellers to officiate next

#### MURRAY'S REAL OBJECT. Recognition of Negro Race at Mc-

Kinley's Hands. WASHINGTON, D. C., February 6. WASHINGTON, D. C., February 6.—
(Special.)—The avowed intention of Murray, the negro congressman from South
Carolina, to protest against counting the
seath Carolina vote in the electoral college next Wednesday, has been the subject of wide comment to-day. Undue imlegistation is greatly and hainst defeatnegro in Congress, and being defeat-n the late election, he is in pursuit of b after March 4th, It has been put his head that his protest will stop McKinley. Up to this time the Presi-di-elect has ignored the negro, and has silvely refused to indicate what rewill be given to that race in the ay's protest is understood to be a buildoz movement, the purpose being to competappointment of some negro in Mc

When approached to-night on this subjest he said that it was possible that the memorial of the colored people of South Carolina might not reach him in time to be available. In reply to the suggestion that its object was a positive understanding as to what recognition would be given to the colored race by the McKinley Administration. he said that the time would en the negro must look after him He felt that McKinley's election wa he to the negro vote, and common fair altempts on the part of representative atten had falled to get any expression him as to what his policy would be

It is not his purpose, he said, to prevent tion.

the inauguration of Mr. McKinley, but it is well enough to call attention to the important fact, that has been overlooked by Republican politicians, that the negro vote is an indispensable factor in Republican politics.

Murray is a candidate for Register of Murray is a candidate for Register of Deeds of the District of Columbia, to which Mr. Cleveland appointed the present incumbent. He expressed himself as entirely satisfied with the situation, and if the protest was not filed on schedule time. It may be understood that Murray, will be the next Register of Deeds of the District. There are, however, half a dozen or more negro applicants for that ozen or more negro applicants for that lice from every Southern State, and the place has been promised to each one of

#### STORM IN NEW YORK.

Heavy Rain. NEW YORK, February 6.-The West up the coast for the last few days, arrived in this city to-day. The wind ame out of the cast, with strong premonitions of more to come, and rain began to fall. By evening, the wind registered a velocity of 60 miles an hour, and the steady downpour of rain had amounted to a little over half an inch.

The Washington Weather Bureau sent out a notice that dangerous northeast gales were due along this and the New England coast, and that shipping should be held in port. Hurricane signals were ordered hoisted, and, as a consequence several outbound steamers came to an off Quarantine, to wait for bet-weather. Before midnight, a small had gathered there, among which er weather. were the Kansas City, for Savannah; the iroquois, for Charleston; the Yumurl, for Habana, and the Louisiana, for New

#### CORBETT'S TRAINING-GROUND. His Agent Trying to Fix on It-Stuart's Movements.

CARSON, NEV., February 6 .- E. G. Cooke, James J. Corbett's advance agent, s not favorably impressed with the Steamboat Springs as a training-place. The roads in the vicinity are rough, and unfit for foot-travel at this season of the year, and the conveniences are not what he expected. Cooke will visit Walley's Hot Mineral Springs, near Genoa, in Douglas county, to-morrow, and it seems probable he will make Corbett's head quarters there. Walley's Springs are son, and are more happily situated than Steamboat Springs.

The arrival of Dan Stuart is anxious-He will be met at Reno by delegations from that city and Carson, and urged to decide upon the location of the battle-ground as quickly as possi-

#### BLOCKADE OF CHARLESTON. Vessels to Arrive Off the Harbor

To-Day. CHARLESTON, S. C., February 6.-The United States transport Fern arrived here this morning, and brings the news hat Admiral Bunce will arrive off Chareston to-morrow morning, with the flag-hip New York, the Maine, the Columbia, and the Amphitrite. Other ships will arrive to-morrow and Monday. The actual manouveres may begin on Mon-

The railroads will readjust the excurion rates made for Charleston the rendezvous, and will make the time more generous for points within a 300-mile radius. Tickets, it is expected, will be sold February 13th to 18th, good to re-turn until February 21st. Outside the 300-mile radius, February 10th to 16th, ilmit

No Alabama Convention. MONTGOMERY, ALA., February 6.-It is about settled that there will not be a constitutional convention called by the present Legislature. A caucus of the ese last night was a failure, tors are not inclined to take any steps toward the call. A conference of the

body this afternoon showed the odds against a convention. PIERRE, S. D., February 6.-To-day's one for senator in the joint session of 50; Kyle, 36; Plowman, 10; Goodykoontz, 11; Palmer, 1. Kyle to-day received the

this will be his last rally.

AUGUSTA, GA., February 6.—The Daily Press, at Newport News, Va., has discontinued the reports of the Chicago Associated Press, and has united with

### A Pleasant Surprise Party.

A party of ladies and gentlemen gave Chelsea Hill, a pleasant surprise Thurslay evening. They came like a flood, but found the hostess ready to receive them. The evening passed all too quickly, with games and other amusements. Among those present were: Misses Mattle Allen, Blanche Pemberton, Burnice Brauer, Helen Wilson, Lora Hazelgrove Emma Tucker, Sarah Tucker, Alice Fox, Annie Tucker, Alberta Toler, Ellen Isa-bell; Mr. and Mrs. Beck, Mrs. Tyson, Mrs. Jones and son, Mr. and Mrs. Tuck-er, Mrs. Leitch, and Messrs, Andrew Jones, Walter Jackson, Louis Wilson, Lafton Hazelgrove, Eddie Clarke, Julius Rothschild, Harper, Pierce, Jourine Ty-ler, and Aubrey Southwood.

### Rosemary Public Library.

A meeting of all interested in the

A meeting of all interested in the library was called for yesterday afternoon. It took place at 4:30, in the basement-rooms of No. 201 east Main street, with Mrs. E. T. Crump, president of the auxiliary, in the chair.

A letter from Mr. Rosewell Page was read to the ladies, and greatly appreciated. After hearing most encouraging reports of the growth of the subscription list, a committee was appointed to make preliminary arrangements for a make preliminary arrangements for a reception on February 22d. This committee will report progress to the called meeting to be held at No. 201 east Main street, on Tuesday, February 9th, at 4:20 P. M. It is earnestly requested that very member of the auxiliary will be

## Address Before Grady Society.

Mr. Alexander B. McCulloch delivered very interesting and instructive address before the Grady Literary Society last evening. His subject, "Socialism," was nandled in a very able manner. The members of the society turned out in force, and they were amply repaid for their trouble. At the conclusion of the address a vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Mc-

Culloch by the society.

The Grady is in a flourishing condition, and bids fair to be a power among the young men of the East-End.

### Will Go the Forger's Way.

Detective C. A. Gibson returned from Newport News yesterday evening, bring-ing with him Alfred Black, a colored boy, who is wanted here for forgery. few days ago the same officer

went to the same city for Alfred's brother, charged with the same offence.

The brother, Eddle, was sent on to the grand jury, and a like fate seems to await Alfred.

#### Dr. McConnell at the Tabernacle. Rev. Dr. F. C. McConnell, of Lynchburg, will occupy the pupit at Grace-Street Baptist tabernacle this morning.

The tabernacle will be closed to-night, Mr. A. M. Routt, of the Southern Associated Press, has accepted a position in Atlanta, Ga., with the same associa-

# M. B. LEONARD DEAD.

THE WELL-KNOWN ELECTRICIAN AND INVENTOR PASSES AWAY.

# THE END COMES VERY SUDDENLY.

Becomes Strangled When on the Train to Go North and Expires Before He Can Be Relieved-Sketch of His Useful and Busy Life.

Wind Velocity, Sixty Miles an Hour. telegraph of the Chesapeake and Ohio railway, and one of the best-known citi-Indian storm, which has been working ly before 7 o'clock at the Virginia Hoszens of Richmond, died last night shortpital. His death was due to suffocation, brought about by a cancerous growth of several months, which attacked his wind-

Mr. Leonard was removed from his home to the Virginia Hospital last Wed- lic Club, of New York city. nesday, but, yielding to the urgent requests of his friends, he decided to go to New York, to consult Dr. Dennis, the tile and



surgeon-in-chief of Bellevue Hospital, who has reported a number of cures, wherein patients who have been af- at the time of his flicted with cancer have recovered after trated with grief. operations, and lived beyond the three-With this end in view, Mr. Leonard left the hospital for his home yesterday morning, to make preparations for his journey. A special car had been placed at his disposal by Superintendent

#### E. Doyle, of the Chesapeake and Ohio, and was attached to the 7:15 P. M. STRANGLED IN THE CAR.

Mr. Leonard, with his wife, and his father, Mr. Owen Leonard, of New York, had driven from his Chestnut-Hill resi-dence to the depot, and had embarked on the car, when he became suddenly worse, and commenced to strangle. He was removed to his carriage and driven direct to the Virginia Hospital, but he was dying when he reached the institution, and was in an unconscious condi-tion. Several doctors happened to be at the hospital at the time of Mr. Leonard's arrival, and he was carried at once to the operating-room, and tracheotomy was performed by Dr. Edward Mc-Guire. The patient was, however, be-yond the reach of medical skill, and was practically dead before the operation was performed. Every means known to medical science to promote artificial respiration was resorted to, but all to no

deep in the tissues of his chest, and took an upward growth. The origin of the formation cannot be explained. An examination of Mr. Leonard's antecedents shows that there is no hereditary taint, and that his family is unusually robust on both sides.

GROWTH OF MANY MONTHS. There is no doubt that the cancer was the growth of many months. It was first noticed by Mr. Leonard last August, and at that time he consulted Dr. Tompkins, About six weeks ago Dr. Taber was called ntire Democratic vote, with one exin, and later Dr. Hugh Taylor. A diagnosis conducted at the Virginia Hospital option, and Kyle's supporters claim that last Wednesday revealed the fact that the cancer, which had spread to Mr. Leocancer, which had spread to Mr. Leo-nard's throat, was so deeply imbedded that an excision would inevitably prove fatal. He was kept at the hospital in or-der that tracheotomy might be performed when it became necessary. Mr. Leonard thoroughly realized his condition, but to satisfy his friends, he consented to con-sult Dr. Dennis, the cancer specialist.

For several days he had been able to breathe with difficulty, and had not been able to lie down at all. Everything that money could buy or the tender solicitude of friends could provide was forthcoming but his case was known to be practically

A peculiar phase of the case is that Mr. Leonard's health was perfect until the last, and although he lost flesh rapidly during the last few weeks of his life, falling from 186 to 155 pounds, his bodily health was as good as it could be. He suffered little pain beyond the difficulty he experienced latterly in getting his breath, and only yesterday morning he said to a visitor that it seemed very hard that with his physical powers intact, he that with his physical powers intact, he must still sit there and wait for the inevitable suffocation, that could only be few days off at best.

To Dr. Taber, who told him that there was no hope of his recovery, he said he had lately been felicitating himself that his worldly affairs had reached that point when he would not have to work as hard

as he had done hitherto. AT HIS OFFICE LAST WEEK.

Mr. Leonard was able to attend to his Mr. Leonard was and the divises at the Chesapeake and Ohio offices until the last few days, and as inte as the beginning of last week was upon the street. Neither Mr. Leonard nor his physicians believed that the end was so near, though Dr. Taylor advised him strongly to abandon the idea of his New York trip. Mr. Leonard, however, said that personally he had no faith in it, but his friends would be better zatisfied if he went, and if Dr. Dennis decided not to operate, he should return on Monday.

SKETCH OF THE DECEASED. Mr. Leonard was in his 42d year, and had been a resident of Richmond for thirteen years, during which time he had drawn to him a wide circle of steadfast friends. He was born in Philadelphia June 14, 1855. He was born in Philadelphia June 14, 1855. His parents are Irish, his father having been born in Dublin, and his mother in Cork. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. Owen Leonard, the latter having been Miss Julia Barry. The deceased went to the common schools when quite young, and subsequently attended St. Francis Xavier College, on Sixteenth street, New York. After passing through the courses of this institution with honers, Mr. Leonard studied telegraphy, and from this point in his life he was a self-educated man. He was a thorough student, spoke four languages—English, French, Spanish, and German—was a graduate in law, and a German-was a graduate in law, and a very fine musician. For a number of years he was with the Western Union Telegraph Company in New York city, where he became a decided expert in telegraphy. In 1884 he came to Richmond with Mr. C. W. Smith, who was then general superintend. issi he came to Richmond with Mr. C. W. Smith, who was then general superintendent of the Chesapeake and Ohio, as Mr. Smith's private secretary and stenographer. By faithful attention to his business and his extraordinary ability, Mr. Leonard soon won promotion to the office of superintendent of telegraph of the Chesapeake and Ohio system, which

# brated Leonard block signal, which is used by a number of the greatest railroads of the country, and also an electrical heater, which has been a pronounced suc-

HIS MUSICAL TALENT.

Mr. Leonard was really a decided gentus He was a man of fine native ability, and perfected himself in many lines by close and earnest application. Outside of his business relations, he was perhaps best known in musical circles. He was dewho in musical circles, he was devoted to music, both vocal and instrumental, and was proficient in both branches. He was elected organist of St. Peter's Cathedral soon after he came to Rionmond, and held the position until about a year ago, when he resigned because of the pressure of other engagements and Proessure of other engagements, and Propressure of other engagements, and Pro-fessor Rafferty was elected to succeed him. Mr. Leonard possessed a fine bass voice, and also sung in the Cathedral choir for many years. He also appeared quite frequently in concerts and other entertainments, and was always heard with picasure. He gave of his talent as he did of his time and means freely and chestfully whenever invoked in healt of cheerfully whenever invoked in behalf of

Leonard was a devoted Catholic, pipe, and was so situated as to preclude and took deep interest in the affairs of the church. He was a prominent member of the McGill Catholic Union, of this city; of the Association of Electrical Engineers of America, and of the Catho-

CHARACTER OF THE DECEASED. Mr. Leonard was one of the most versatile and accomplished gentlemen in Rich-mond. He was a man of exceptional talents, which he cultivated to a very great extent. He was an inventor of everal electrical appliances, an expert telegraph operator, an accomplished musician, and a polished linguist. He was absolutely indefatigable, and a man of uptiring zeal whenever he became interested in any subject. He was greatly admired by a host of friends here for his many admirable and sterling qualities. His charity was unbounded, and he was aiways ready to lend himself or his purse to any worthy cause. took the greatest interest in the welfare of the Mechanics' Institute, and he delivered lectures there each week on elec-trical subjects. A year or two ago Mr. Leonard took the law course at Richmond evening. College and graduated with distinction.

HIS FAMILY-THE FUNERAL.

Mr. Leonard was twice married. His first wife was Miss Laura Rooney, of 1892. He subsequently married Miss Mollie Evans, daughter of Colonel Arthur G. Evans, of Manchester, who sur-vives him. The deceased leaves four daughters and one son. Mrs. Leonard, who was in the cab with her husband at the time of his last seizure, was pros-

The remains were turned over to Undertaker Laube to be prepared for burial, and were removed to Chestnut Hill late last night. The funeral will take place from St. Peter's Cathedral, with solemn requiem high mass, at 19 o'clock on Tues-day morning, and the interment will be made in Mount Chlvary Cemetery. Other arrangements have not yet been

Mr. Leonard's father, who is a prominent undertaker in New York city, arrived here yesterday morning, for the and W. A. Slogan, are determined to strictly to business, purpose of accompanying his son to New make their effort successful. York. Mr. Leonard, Sr., was prostrated with grief by reason of the death of his son. The deceased has a brother living. Mr. John Leonard, who is the railroad editor of the New York Mail and Express Mrs. Leonard, the mother of the deceased. as to have left for Europe yesterday. Her tickets had been purchased and her state-room secured, but the trip had to

#### PROF. WILLETTS' BIBLE INSTITUTE He Delivers Two Lectures at Asso-

cause of Mr. Leonard's death, was formed Willetts, of Chicago University, began pany, Professor Willetts comes to Richmond at the instance of the

Woman's Mission Board, of Seventh-Street Christian church. The theme of the noon service was "Abraham," and the light of a very close and thorough study was thrown upon the man from whose loins God raised up that people who were to be the custolians of his truth. Time didn't permit to follow every step of this man, chosen of God, but wherever the speaker's finger was laid, a revealing light awakened the old sheik of the plains into

ture last night on the life of and the great law-giver stood before the minds of the speaker's andience in very old and impressive relief.
This morning Dr. Willetts will preach at

Seventh-Street Christian church, and in the evening at 8 o'clock be will con-duct the service at Marshall-Street Christian church. At 4 o'clock he will conduct the men's meeting at the As-sociation Hall, and these exercises will sociation Hall, and these exercises will be of rare opportunity and attractiveness. In manner and style of presentation, Professor Willetts is attractive. His treatment is analytic, but he makes all the dissection himself, and the hearer is urprised that he never saw it light before. His plan is to take some life in Bible story and raise it in bold relief, around which the circumstances

#### POLICEMAN CRANE IN EXTREMIS. He Was Stricken with Paralysis-

Other Sick People. Officer W. W. Crane, of the First-Police District, is in extremis, and his death is hourly expected. Mr. Crane
was taken sick some time ago, and had
a severe attack of pneumonia. He recovered from this, but before he regained his strength he was stricken covered from this, but before he re-gained his strength he was stricken down with fever. On Friday night he was paraiyzed, his whole left side being affected, and Dr. C. W. P. Brock, who is attending him, announced last night that his condition was well-nigh hopeless. Deputy-Clerk Lawton Crutchfield, of the Hustings Court, and Assistant-Su-perintendent George Paynter, of the Fire-

Mrs. Marx Gunst is very ill at the Old Dominion Hospital. An operation was performed on her Friday, and her condi-Miss Bettie Richardson, of No. 102

Madison street, is very sick. Mr. F. J. Parater, Jr., continues dangerously ill.
Mr. James M. Matthews has been confined to his bed since Tuesday, with a sprained ankle, occasioned by a fall at ight down steps covered with sleet.

Mr. W. B. Bishop, who was stricken with paralysis recently, is reported by his physician to be slightly better. Dr. W. W. Parker is rapidly convalesc-ing from his attack of pueumonia. Notes About the Military.

# Corporal W. C. Boisseau, of Company F, has been promoted to the rank of ser-geant, and Private J. C. Lockman to the rank of corporal Much interest is being evinced in the

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Much interest is being evinced in the election to fill vacancies in Company B, of the Blues, caused by the resignation of Captain Shafer. Lieutenant Pegram has declined to accept the captaincy. The candidates are Lieutenant William Mayo. Sergeant Bidgood, Sergeant George Warren, and Private W. L. Dougherty.

The entertainment to be given at the Armery next Wednesday for the uniform fund of Company B promises to be a great success. It will open with a game of basket ball between the regimental team and the Richmond Basket-Ball Club. captain Shafer. Lieutenant Pegram has declined to accept the captaincy. The candidates are Lieutenant William Mayo, Sergeant Bidgood, Sergeant George Warren, and Private W. L. Dougherty.

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# CITY OF MANCHESTER

COMPLICATIONS ARISE ABOUT GIV-

#### ING THE PAVING CONTRACTS. TAXES ON STREET-RAILWAY POLES.

Case Involving the City's Right to Impose Them Heard Yesterday-The Evans-Davis Suit to Be Tried-Personals and Other Items.

The Manchester Street Committee met

at 5 o'clock yesterday in adjourned session, to consider the bids for paving Hull street, but the contract was not awarded. This entails another meeting, which will be held on Monday evening at 7 o'clock. This deferred action arises from a circumstance which dates back some months, when a proposition was presented to the Council to improve this thoroughfare, and bids were received, but on account of the Street Railway Company's refusal to share in the cost, no contractor except Mr. E. R. Goodwin would accept the work, foreseeing that a suit would be necessary to get compensation from the railroad people for their part. But later, it was decided to recall the work, and Mr. Goodwin's bid was taken in.

Now bids have been again invited, and it is found out that Mr. Mittendorf has agreed to do the work for \$150 less than Mr. Goodwin did, and under ordi-nary circumstances, would claim success. But Mr. Goodwin now steps in, and claims very urgently that in view of the fact that he alone had stood by the city, and had agreed to do her work when no one else would credit her, he should receive her smiles at this time. These seem to be the facts which the committee will again confront to-morrow HORSE AND BUGGY GONE.

Mr. H. L. Carter, of Richmond, and a member of that City's Council, was This Important Body to Hold Its Anthe victim of a very costly runaway last night while driving in Manchester. He stopped his buggy in front of the Leader building about 8 o'clock, and leaving the horse unattended, went into

a neighboring store, and when he came out the horse and buggy were gone. It was afterwards ascertained that two men were seen to as the back. two men were seen to get into the buggy and drive off, but at the time no attention was paid to this action. Nothing has yet been heard from either, and the whole transaction is involved in mystery. There was a called meeting last evening at 7:30 o'clock of the Fire Department, and it was decided to have an entertainment in the near future.

This entertainment will be given at Leader Hall, and the proceeds will be devoted to purchasing individual supplies for the members of the department. The Committee on Arrangements, consisting of Messrs. W. H. Kidd, R. H. Crooke,

THE SUIT UNDER ADVISEMENT. THE SUIT UNDER ADVISEMENT.
The Hustings Court, with Judge Ingram presiding, was engaged yesterday in hearing the combined cases of the Richmond and Manchester Railway Company vs. city of Manchester; the Richmond Railway and Electric Company vs. city of Manchester, and the Manchester Railway and Increasement Company vs. way and Improvement Company vs. city of Manchester, in which the Richmond Railway and Electric Company is suing for a release from payment and a recover of certain taxes claimed to have been due by the city.

There was no decision handed down,

cintion Hali-Services To-Day. but the case passed under advisement The promised series of Bible studies at until the April term, when Judge Ingram the Young Men's Christian Association will render his decision. The city was represented by Judge Clopton, with Mr. Willetts, of Chicago University, began

Manchester, imposing a license tax on the poles of these companies. The taxes were paid in the year 1896 by the companies under protest, and this suit was brought to settle the question at issue. A TEN-THOUSAND-DOLLAR SUIT.

The Hustings Court will be engaged to-morrow in hearing the suit brought by Miss Lottie M. Evans against Mr. W. Benjamin Davis for \$10,000 for alleged defamation of character, Miss Evans was at one time employed as Mr. Davis's stenographer, and claims that while she conducted herself properly and in a lady-like manner before, during, and since she was in the employ of Mr. Davis, and atended to her duties faithfully and proper-y, the defendant intended to injure her by bringing her into public scandal, and to cause it to be believed by the young lady's neighbors, acquaintances, and other citizens that she conducted herself in an immoral manner, and that she had been accustomed to visit questionable places and spend the night there, and to otherwise act in a disgraceful and dishonor-

The father of the young lady was also The father of the young lady was also employed by Mr. Davis at the same time as was his daughter, and it was after his discharge that she resigned her position.

Mr. Davis, the defendant, is a contractor, and conducts a brick-yard in Manchester, and is well known in business circles both in this city and in Richmond. He denies the allegations of the bill, and claims that he has done the young lady no injustice or wrong. The plaintiff will be represented by Messrs. Montague and Dawson, while Messrs. Meredith and Weiford are attorneys for the defence.

DEATH OF MR. ADAMS. Mr. Walter J. Adams, a former employee of the Supply Department of the Southern Railway Company of this city,

Mr. George W. Blankenship received a A. D. Wooldridge, announcing the death of his wife, Mrs. Mary Wooldridge, yes-

terday morning at 9:30 o'clock, near Skinquarter, Chesterfield county. The County Court of Chesterfield will convene to-morrow and the case of Eg-bert Studayant, for committing an assault on Harriet Johnson early in January, will be before the court. Mr William Hay Garnett, of this city has been re-tained as counsel for the defence. There will be a mass-meeting of the

Junior Epworth League at Asbury church this afternoon at 3 o'clock. This meeting will be under the Junior leagues of Central church, West-End church, and Asbury church, Rev. W. T. Williams, of West-End church, will make an ad-dress, and Miss Nettie Clayton will re-The public is invited.

PERSONALS AND BRIEFS. Mrs. A. G. Evans is detained at home, on Ninth street, by slight indisposition.
Mr. Harry B. Owen, of this city, is sick in Charlottesville. He has charge of Mr. Ado ertain work on the University build-The rain has been doing a great deal

night she was not expected to live through the night. isiting her mother, on Seventh street. speaker, and the Randolph-St Miss Sadie Lanier, of Petersburg, is ple are expecting a splendid me

# spending a few days with her aunt, Mrs.

Fannie Hopkins, on Seventh street.

Mrs. John H. Parker continues quite sick at her home, on Perry street.

Miss Annie A. Haverty, of Old Point Comfort, is visiting her brother. Captain J. J. Haverty, at his home, in Manchester.

Another case of reported hold-up has come to town, in which Mr. Thomas Chappell, who lives at Granite, is in-volved. He was attacked by two negro men Thursday on his way home from Richmond, but by his superior strength, succeeded in freeing himself, and running off from his assailants, without any hurt

The Christian Band of Central Methodist church are engaged in preparing for an entertainment next Friday, called 'An Evening With the Wesleys. of the ladies will impersonate Susan Wesley, and John Wesley, the great and pioneer Methodist divine, will also pear. A very attractive feature will a little child, dressed in costume of that period, and playing the role of a tiny member of the Wesley household.

#### COCK-FIGHT IN THE DAYTIME. A Big Main "Pulled Off" at Acea

Farm Yesterday. The sports who assembled at Acca Stock Farm on Friday night to witness a cock fight were evidently not surfeited with the fun they had there, for at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon they dodged Dr. Jud. B. Wood and the other officers of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and embarking in wagons and other vehicles, hied themselves back to the farm, when a lively main was "pulled off" for their delecta-

fight, and the pit side was lined five or six deep with interested spectators, who wagered their dollars on the relative merits and demerits of the feathered There were altogether nine fights, and fighters were game, and none ran. main was not completed until late in the afternoon, and the sports returned to the city in time for supper.

#### THE PYTHIAN GRAND LODGE.

nual Session Here Next Week. The twenty-ninth annual session of the Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of Virginia will be held in Lee-Camp Hall, be

ginning Tuesday, February 16th. The Grand Lodge will be composed of its officers and one representative from each subordinate lodge in Virginia, and will consist of from seventy-five to one hundred members. Grand-Chancellor hundred Harry Wooding, the Mayor of Danville The principal business will be the adop

tion of a new code of laws for the government of the order, and the proposition submitted at the last session to establish a grand tribune for the adjudication of all legal questions. No arrangements have yet been made for a banquet or festivities of a social

character. The session will be devote Old Fashioned Singin' Skule Again On Friday night, February 26th, Mr and Mrs. Jedediah Bobbin will again present at the Young Men's Christian Association Hall their famous Fashioned Singin' Skule," and it is safe to say that the performance will be better even than it has yet been given. Mr. and Mrs. Bobbin will present many attractive new features at this "speekh' and singin'," among them Mrs. Bobbin's old maids' sewing class, the singin' skule band, Trilby, and a musical ac-count of how Mr. and Mrs. Jedediah did their "sparkin". The old favorites did their 'sparkin'. The old favorites will all be on hand-Romeo and Juliet, the Yellow Kid, the Twinses, Mercy Meekins, and all the rest-to make this a most enjoyable occasion. Many of the cos-tumes worn by the ladies in this from fifty to one hundred years old, and have served grandmothers and great-grandmothers as they are now serving the present generation. The box-sheet will be opened at the Young Men's Chris-

and it will be desirable to reserve seats as soon as possible.

The controllers of "Mr. Jedediah Bobbin's Singin' Skule" have copyrighted the skule as a performance, and any perskule as a performance, and any perskule as a performance. skule as a performance, and any per-formance given by others in imitation of it, will, of course, be an infringment upon

tian Association hall to-morrow morning,

## MR. C. E. RENNOLDS KILLED.

Former Richmonder Died in Baltimore from injuries Received. Information was received here yester-

day of the death in Baltimore yesterday of Mr. E. Campbell Rennolds, formerly of Mr. Rennolds was a brother of Mr. J. A. eath a freight brakeman on the

resides in Richmond, was visiting him at the time of the accident. The remains will be brought here to-

#### morrow for burlal. Masquerade at Sanger Hall. The masquerade cotillon given by Miss

Walden and her pupils at Sanger Hall Friday evening was a most successful affair, and the fancy dancing of the smaller pupils, Misses Josephine Sultivan, Molile Tucker, Winston Brazeal, and the thny little "tot." Oille Tucker, was exceptionally fine. There were various kinds of comical characters represented, among which was Hogan's alley, which seemed to amuse every one present. The prizes were awarded to Mrs. was exceptionally fine. There were various kinds of comical characters represented, among which was Hogan's alley, which seemed to amuse every one present. The prizes were awarded to Mrs. May Zimmerman, impersonating the character of an old maid, and Mr. Will character of an old maid, and Mr. Will and though their inning has been a long one, they are far from tired of the sport Roland, who impersonated the Turkish one, they are far from tired of the sport peasant. The attendance was large, of bailing the old lion. They have deand Miss Walden was highly compilment-stroyed, apparently forever, Signor Crised on the success of the ball,

### Many and Liberal Responses

At the regular monthly meeting on Wednesday last of the Board of Mana-gers of the Virginia Home for Incurables much gratification was felt and ex-pressed at the number of responses re-ceived in answer to the appeal, the sums Riforms, and its former editors, manvarying from one penny to twenty-five

The Board of Managers consists of earnest purpose of erecting this home for those whose days on earth are clouded by the consciousness of an incurable Many of the letters received were

Mr. Adolphus L. Savage Dead. Mr. Adolphus L. Savage, a prominet

brick contractor, of No. 2917 east Broad street, and a well-known Mason, died at his home yesterday. Deceased was 44 years of age. years of age. His funeral will take place from St John's church to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, and will be attended by Richmond-Randolph Lodge of Masons and

# Revival Services at Randolph-Street

Richmond Commandery, No. 2, Knights

Commencing to-night, the Randolph-Street Baptist church will hold a series

Mrs. Alice Ray, of Perry and Fifteenth streets, is extremely ill, and little hope is entertained of her recovery. Late last night she was not expected to live through the night.

Miss Lena Hobson, of Petersburg, is yisiting her mother, on Sayenth street.

## EUROPEAN POLITICS.

THEY ARE BECOMING WARMER EVERY DAY NOW.

DISTURBANCE IN CRETE.

Turkey, Greece, and the Powers-Situation in Egypt-The Transvani.

Queen Victoria's Jubilee-Persecu-

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LONDON, February 6.-The temperaure of European politics has grown decidedly warmer during the past two or three days. It is announced that the ambassadors' scheme of reform, which is to be forced upon the Sultan by all the Powers, has been completed and unanimously agreed upon. This is coupled with the really ominous news that the Sultan is in a complacent mood, and ready to consent to anything. It has been learned by bitter experience that this frame of mind on the part of Abdul Hamid is the most dangerous of all, and is usually preliminary to the most fana-

tical outbreak of cruelty. Close upon this announcement comes yesterday's uprising in Crete, which is by far the worst that has occurred in that unhappy island. It is not possible to hold the Sultan responsible for these outrages, for the present situation in Crete is in the nature of an interregnum. The international force which is to guarantee the reforms in the island, has not yet been organized, and the situation is extremely awkward. G whose quarrel with Turkey has growing rapidly acute from day to day, has not hesitated to take quick advan-tage of the excesses of the Turkish soldiers in the island, and has sent all her available naval force there. This is a distinctly beiligerent move, and it is probably intended that the Suitan shall interpret it as such. If he retaliates, as is probable, there will be presented com-plications, which will quickly force the hand of the great Powers.

In dealing with the whole Turkish juestion, this fresh and unanticipated difficulty will naturally put a strain upon the harmony between the Powers, which is of only recent and tender existence, is of only recent and tender of the cunning Sultan is fully aware of the cunning Sult this, and he will be only too glad to destroy the unity of purpose among his more powerful mentors, at the expense of a row with Greece. He will be further encouraged in his efforts by the latest friction over Egypt, caused by the latest friction over Egypt, caused by the recent note from Russia and France, regarding the expenses of the Egyptian-English expedition to the Soudan. It is quite true that the Powers cannot well he working harmoniously at Constanti-ncple and quarrelling bitterly at Cairo at one and the same time.

EGYPTIAN SITUATION. The Egyptian situation, by the way, as at last put before the world in plain nguage by the Chancellor of the Exanguage chequer last night, in a speech announcing the intentions of the British Government. He spoke with unconceal-ed contempt of the decision of the mixed tribunals, ordering the return to the Egyptian Treasury of the money advanced for the Nile expedition, and forth-with declared that Great Britain was fully determined to take Khartoum. with significant emphasis, that, when England made up her mind what was the right policy in regard to Egypt, she would not be werried out of it by such difficulties as a refusal of money. This language is already causing great irri-tation and much belilcose language in various places on the Continent; but, whether it will have unfavorable influentertainment, are quaint and beautiful- ence upon the agreement in regard to Turkish affairs remains to be seen.

The situation, as a whole, including the Cretan difficulty, and the Grecian-Turkish quarrel, will demand the most diplomatic skill, and, perhaps, sharp physical action, within the next few days, for its successful handling.

QUEEN'S JUBILEE. How to celebrate the Queen's Jubiles is a question which is apparently paramount in the British mind just now. A multitude of suggestions have been made, most of them absurd, and many of them

undignified, to say the least.

The Prince of Wales's plan, announced to-day, is for London to celebrate the jubilee by providing for the command de-ficiency of more than \$500,000 in the ex-pense of maintaining the hospitals of the metropolis. This will, undoubtedly, command popular sympathy and great support. The London hospitals are sup-ported almost exclusively by private funds and subscriptions. The Prince of Wales's appeal will easily bring forth Mr. Rennolds was a brother of Mr. J. A.
Rennolds, the well-known commission merchant, and was at the time of his year's deficiency, but if he has in mind year's deficiency, but if he has in mind a freight brakeman on the Baitimore and Ohio railroad. He was hurt in of \$500,000, the undertaking is, indeed, an accident Friday night, and died from his injuries yesterday. His mother, who which is a high rate of interest in this

country, the sum necessary would be \$16,000,000. It has been decided that the principal feature of the celebration in June shall be another great ceremony in Westmin-ster Abbey, similar to that of ten years ago. It will probably be of the nature of "re-crowning" her Majesty before the

pi's political influence, and ruined his private fortunes. They have driven his son into dishonorable exise, and have and still their thirst for vengeance is not quenched. The judicial inquiry into the seemingly eternal "financial scandals" Riforma, and its former editors, man-agers, compositors, and printers have been searchingly examined in the hope of comabout fifty ladies, representing all de-nominations, who are filled with the Parlamenghi, and he has come out of the inquiry with a very bedraggled appearance. Now it is proposed to cite Madame Lina Crispi before the examining justices to explain certain items of a private banking account, which, it has been discovered, she had with the Bank of Como.

## CANEA IS QUIET.

Situation Still Serious, Though-Fighting Exaggerated.

Canea, Crote, the scene of the disturbance between the Christians and Musseimans, shows that the city is quiet to-day, though the situation is still serious. The latest reports show that there has been no maswas less frightful than was supposed.

The British Consul at Canea reputhat twenty Christians were killed.

LONDON, February 6.-A dispatch from

Aguirre, Gregory, and Vives. HABANA, February 6.—The government has asked the Supreme Court to furnish it with a copy of the military proceedings against the American citizens, George Aguirre, Estaban Gregory, and Lorquez Vives, all of whom are charged with taking part in the rebellion.